

***Draft* Agricultural Water Management Plan Guidebook**

TO ASSIST AGRICULTURAL WATER SUPPLIERS

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Guidebook objectives

- To assist Ag. Water suppliers in meeting the requirements of the Water Conservation Bill of 2009 (SBX7-7)
- To address legislative and procedural issues for the submittal of AWMPPs to the DWR
- Use of this guidebook is not mandatory but is encouraged.

Requirement to Prepare an AWMP

- Ag water suppliers $\geq 25,000$ irrigated acres (or $\geq 10,000$ irrigated acres if funding available)
- AWMP due 12/31/2012... 2015... + every 5 yrs
- Ag water supplier not eligible for State water grant or loan unless they adopt and implement AWMP

Guidebook (part I)

- Follows Water Code Sections Requirements from SBx7-7
- **Bold and Underlined text (with Code §)**
=required elements from SBx7-7
- Plain text – explanation or suggested additional information

Guidebook (part II)

- AWMP Supporting Information
 - Background & History
 - Guidance on Climate Change for Agricultural Water Management Plans
 - Electronic Submittal (under development)
 - Title 23, §597 et seq. Agricultural Water Measurement (2012)
 - AB 1404 Requirements and Form

Next steps

- Public comments by February 15, 2012
- <http://www.water.ca.gov/wateruseefficiency/sb7/committees/ag/a6/>
- Refine draft Guidebook
- Schedule additional workshops if necessary
- Final posted by July 1, 2012



Next: The Draft Guidebook